

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the Abstract with the following paragraph:

~~A murmur frame for communicating expressive information for meetings enables greater team effectiveness by allowing meeting participants to express reactions and insights and to observe other participants' reactions and insights. Expressive information may be communicated to the entire group without interrupting the main discussion of the meeting by any of the participants. Thus, speakers, moderators, and participants may all rely on expressive information for guidance in working effectively with the group's continually-unfolding dynamics.~~ A murmur frame for a participant to communicate expressive information with other participants in a meeting includes a personal information section that contains a name of the participant, one or more icons indicating inputs and reactions of the participant related to a subject matter or other aspects of the meeting, and one or more annotation banners containing comments or questions of the participant. The input may include pictorial, textual, and audible inputs. The murmur frame is subdivided into sub-areas each dedicated to a specific aspect of the meeting. The choice of a sub-area in which an icon is displayed is significant. The murmur frame containing the expressive information may be transmitted to the other participants through a computer network system to advance communication for the meeting.